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RADEMACHER et al.

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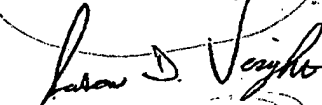
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Moreover, the claimed process and compositions would not have been obvious in view of the cited art. None of the cited references contains any teaching or suggestion to use acylcyclohexanediones to increase and qualitatively modify the content of flavonoids and phenolic constituents in plants. Ilan et al. even teaches away from the claimed process because Ilan et al. reports that treating carrot cell cultures with prohexanedione results in decreased content of anthocyanine, which is a flavonoid. Consequently, a skilled person would have deduced that applying acylcyclohexanediones to plants as such may also lead to a reduced flavonoid content in the treated plants and therefore would not have used this substance class.

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